



ATTORNEYS AT LAW

Robert Greene Sterne  
Edward J. Kessler  
Jorge A. Goldstein  
David P.S. Cornwell  
Robert W. Esmond  
Tracy Gene G. Durkin  
Michael B. Ray  
Robert E. Sokohl  
Eric K. Steffe  
Michael Q. Lee  
Steven R. Ludwig  
John M. Covert  
Linda E. Alcorn  
Robert C. Millonig  
Donald J. Featherstone  
Timothy J. Shea, Jr.  
Lawrence B. Bugalsky  
Michael V. Messinger  
Judith U. Kim

Patrick E. Garrett  
Jeffrey T. Helvey  
Heidi L. Kraus  
Eldora L. Ellison  
Thomas C. Fiala  
Albert L. Fero\*  
Donald R. Banowitz  
Peter A. Jackman  
Teresa U. Medler  
Jeffrey S. Weaver  
Kendrick P. Patterson  
Vincent L. Capuano  
Brian J. Del Buono  
Virgil Lee Beaston  
Theodore A. Wood  
Elizabeth J. Haanes  
Joseph S. Ostroff  
Frank R. Cottingham  
Christine M. Lhulier

Rae Lynn P. Guest  
George S. Bardmessner  
Daniel A. Klein  
Jason D. Eisenberg  
Michael D. Specht  
Andrea J. Kamage  
Tracy L. Muller  
Jon E. Wright  
LuAnne M. DeSantis  
Ann E. Summerfield  
Aric W. Ledford  
Helene C. Carlson  
Cynthia M. Bouchez  
Timothy A. Doyle\*  
Gaby L. Longsworth  
Lori A. Gordon  
Nicole D. Dretar  
Ted J. Ebersole  
Jyoti C. Iyer

Laura A. Vogel  
Michael J. ManCUSO  
Bryan S. Wade  
Aaron L. Schwartz  
Michael G. Penn\*  
Matthew E. Kelley\*  
Shannon A. Carroll\*  
Nicole R. Kramer\*

**Registered Patent Agents\***

Karen R. Markowicz  
Nancy J. Leith  
Matthew J. Dowd  
Katrina Yujian Pei Quach  
Bryan L. Skelton  
Robert A. Schwartzman  
Teresa A. Colella  
Jeffrey S. Lundgren  
Victoria S. Rutherford

Michelle K. Holoubek  
Simon J. Elliott  
Julie A. Heider  
Mita Mukherjee  
Scott M. Woodhouse  
Christopher J. Walsh  
Liliana Di Nola-Baron  
Peter A. Socarras

**Of Counsel**

Kenneth C. Bass III  
Evan R. Smith  
Marvin C. Guthrie

\*Admitted only in Maryland  
+Admitted only in Virginia  
•Practice Limited to Federal Agencies

May 4, 2005

**WRITER'S DIRECT NUMBER:**  
(202) 772-8591

**INTERNET ADDRESS:**  
JMILLS@SKGF.COM

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**Art Unit 1636**

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Appl. No. 10/058,291; Filed: January 30, 2002  
For: **Recombinational Cloning Using Engineered Recombination Sites**  
Inventors: HARTLEY *et al.*  
Our Ref: 0942.285000I/BJD/JKM

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Statement of the Substance of the Interview; and
2. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

Commissioner for Patents  
May 4, 2005  
Page 2

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency,  
or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.



Jeffrey K. Mills  
Agent for Applicants  
Registration No. 56,413

BJD/JKM:bac  
Enclosures

393093\_1.DOC



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

HARTLEY *et al.*

Appl. No. 10/058,291

Filed: January 30, 2002

For: **Recombinational Cloning Using  
Engineered Recombination Sites**

Confirmation No.: 3302

Art Unit: 1636

Examiner: Akhavan, R.

Atty. Docket: 0942.285000I/RWE/BJD/JKM

**Statement of the Substance of the Interview**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Further to the Interview Summary Provided to Applicants' representatives on April 7, 2005, Applicants submit the following Statement of the Substance of the Interview.

Applicants thank Examiners Akhavan and Leffers for conducting a personal interview with Applicants' representatives on April 7, 2005. During the interview, the three rejections made in the Office Action dated September 22, 2005 were discussed. No conclusive agreement was reached with regard to the issues in the Office Action.

Respectfully submitted,

STERNE, KESSLER, GOLDSTEIN & FOX P.L.L.C.

Jeffrey K. Mills  
Agent for Applicants  
Registration No. 56,413

Date: May 4, 2005  
1100 New York Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20005-3934  
(202) 371-2600

391482\_1.DOC